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<TEXT>I do not want to pay more for my telephone service! I urge you to reject a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could make my current service unaffordable.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as a high-volume residential or business customers. This is unfair!

I use my wireless phone for safety, security and convenience. I don't want to lose these benefits so that big businesses can pay less than their fair share. I urge you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee.

Just because there is a Republican congress abd president, does not delegate authority to unjustly burden consumers to to support an already unresponsive and self-serving business community in the US. Just examine how businesses have centralized their so called 'service' departments to be distant from most of the consumers to whom they provide. It is more difficult to pay a bill, resolve a problem, and to get service issues today than ever before. Now business wants to burden the consumer even more? No way!

Keep the USF Fair!

Sincerely,

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